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MS PATENT APPLICATION
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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a non-English patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c), which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of Provisional Application No(s). 60/432,659 filed on December 12, 2002. An English translation will follow within the required time as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.52(d).

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Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of fifteen (15) pages
- Two (2) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-356701 filed in Japan on December 9, 2002.
 - Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
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- Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- Preliminary Amendment
- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and reference(s)
- Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
- Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
- Other:
- Provisional application filed in English:
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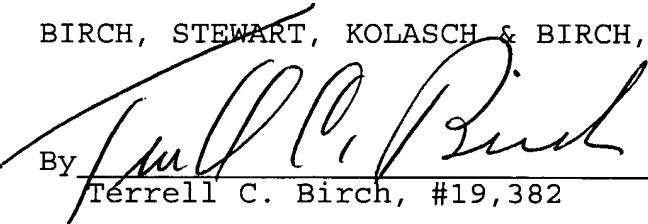
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